

Smith (WA)	Turner	Welch (VT)
Snyder	Udall (CO)	Weller
Solis	Udall (NM)	Westmoreland
Space	Van Hollen	Wexler
Spratt	Velázquez	Whitfield
Stark	Visclosky	Wicker
Stupak	Walden (OR)	Wilson (NM)
Sullivan	Walsh (NY)	Wilson (OH)
Sutton	Walz (MN)	Wolf
Tanner	Wamp	Woolsey
Tauscher	Wasserman	Wu
Taylor	Schultz	Wynn
Terry	Waters	Yarmuth
Thompson (CA)	Watson	Young (AK)
Thompson (MS)	Watt	Young (FL)
Tiberi	Waxman	
Tierney	Weiner	

## NAYS—70

Akin	Franks (AZ)	Neugebauer
Barrett (SC)	Garrett (NJ)	Paul
Barton (TX)	Gohmert	Pence
Bilbray	Granger	Petri
Bilirakis	Hall (TX)	Poe
Blunt	Hastert	Price (GA)
Boehner	Heller	Rohrabacher
Burgess	Hensarling	Roskam
Burton (IN)	Herger	Royce
Buyer	Hobson	Ryan (WI)
Camp (MI)	Hulshof	Sali
Campbell (CA)	Inglis (SC)	Sensenbrenner
Cannon	Issa	Sessions
Cantor	Jones (NC)	Shadegg
Carter	Jordan	Smith (NE)
Chabot	King (IA)	Smith (TX)
Coble	Lamborn	Souder
Conaway	Lungren, Daniel	Stearns
Culberson	E.	Thornberry
Doolittle	Manzullo	Upton
Dreier	Marchant	Walberg
Feeney	McCarthy (CA)	Weldon (FL)
Flake	McCaul (TX)	Wilson (SC)
Foxx	Miller (FL)	

## NOT VOTING—29

Boucher	Hinchey	Myrick
Brown, Corrine	Hoekstra	Peterson (PA)
Butterfield	Jindal	Pryce (OH)
Crenshaw	Johnson (IL)	Rangel
Cubin	Kagen	Rush
Cuellar	Kingston	Simpson
Davis, Jo Ann	Kucinich	Tancredo
Fossella	Lipinski	Tiahrt
Galleghy	McKeon	Towns
Gutierrez	Meek (FL)	

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised 2 minutes remain.

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So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

# COMMUNICATION FROM HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER, REPUBLICAN LEADER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable JOHN A. BOEHNER, Republican Leader:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
July 16, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
Speaker, U.S. Capitol,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI: Pursuant to section 703c of the Public Interest Declassification Board, 50 U.S.C. 435 note, I have agreed to reappoint the Honorable David Skaggs to the Public Interest Declassification Board as the Minority Leader appointment. As previously agreed, because of the change in Congress and the presumed statutory intent of the Board, Mr. Skaggs has requested that he

continue serving in this capacity, with the understanding that he will resign the position effective June 5, 2009. As such, I am pleased to make this appointment.

Sincerely,

JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
Republican Leader.

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# COMMUNICATION FROM HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER, REPUBLICAN LEADER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable JOHN A. BOEHNER, Republican Leader:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
July 12, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
Speaker, U.S. Capitol,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI: Pursuant to The National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 955(b) note), I am pleased to appoint the Honorable Pat Tiberi of Ohio to the National Council on the Arts.

Mr. Tiberi has expressed interest in serving in this capacity and I am pleased to fulfill his request.

Sincerely,

JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
Republican Leader.

# WE NEED TO SUPPORT PAKISTAN

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, our ally Pakistan is facing a difficult challenge. For those of us who believe that the region that includes Bangladesh, India, and Pakistan is one of our most strategic and Pakistan one of our most important, we want free elections and human rights. But now, we can see the light.

Pakistan is losing thousands of Pakistani troops into the region between Afghanistan and Pakistan in order to maintain the protection against the NATO troops. It is imperative that we engage Pakistan, support Pakistan and help them as they begin to try and resolve the crisis of Taliban.

Many criticize the agreement, but now we can see what happens when that agreement is declared dead by the Taliban. It is important that we work with Pakistan, see the light, stop the accusations and sit down to resolve the best, a safe and secure manner for the U.S. troops, the NATO troops and the Pakistani troops.

The alliance and friendship between the United States and Pakistan is important. We must find ways to accommodate that friendship to make it work for Pakistan and the United States and the United States military and the Pakistani Army.

# HEALTH DISPARITIES AND SCHIP

(Mr. JEFFERSON asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. JEFFERSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of increasing funding for the SCHIP program and also to address health care disparities in my State of Louisiana.

In 2004, the number of poor children living in Louisiana was 343,256, or 30 percent of all children in our State. Forty-seven percent of all African American children were listed as poor children, 26 percent of American Indian children, 23 percent of Asian children and 24 percent Latinos were listed as poor in my State. Of those 343,256 poor children, only 91,000 are covered by SCHIP, or as we call it in our State, LASCHIP.

After the storm, coverage for those originally enrolled in the Louisiana SCHIP program was not transferred across State lives, leaving many of the 251,000 children and adults who evacuated to other places without access to the health care they desperately need.

As former President Nelson Mandela said, "There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way in which it treats its children."

I hope this House will remember that as we deal with the SCHIP funding program this time around.

# SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 18, 2007, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Ms. WOOLSEY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. WOOLSEY addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

# MEXICAN DRUG CARTELS OPERATE MARIJUANA PLANTATIONS IN AMERICA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. POE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. POE. Mr. Speaker, earlier today I addressed this House and discussed how the Zetas drug cartel in Mexico has made it known it will hunt down journalists that report on the violent drug cartels in Mexico. This group of former Mexican military officers reportedly will track these reporters down even when they flee to the United States for safety. All of this because these journalists publish reports on the violent cross-border drug trade.

Tonight, I wish to discuss how these same outlaw Mexican drug cartels are operating marijuana plantations on public lands, not public lands in Mexico, but on public lands in the United States.